



# AuSable Valley Community Mental Health Services

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## *AU SABLE VALLEY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD January 25, 2010 MINUTES*

### **I. CONVENE**

*The regularly scheduled meeting of the AuSable Valley Community Mental Health Board was held on Monday, January 25, 2010 at the Board's Tawas City Office. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dr. Williams at 6:00 p.m.*

**A. ROLL CALL.** Board members present: Patti Casey, Bernadine Clark, Scott Colclasure, Robert Cudney, Jim Cummins, Kay Hammond, Robert Huddy, Michael Welsch, Clyde Soucie, Joe Stone, Rose Walsh and Dr. Williams.

Board members absent: N/A

Staff present: Floyd Smith, Glenn Gray, Sherry Dickman, Dave Beck, Barb Stelloh, and Deb Roach.

Guests: Trina Edwards, Terry Yule, Dave Schneider

### **B. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER MINUTES.**

*Moved by Mr. Welsch, seconded by Ms. Walsh, to approve the Minutes of the December Board Meeting as printed. Motion carried.*

### **C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

*Moved by Mr. Welsch, seconded by Ms. Casey, to approve the Agenda as presented.*



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**D. CORRESPONDENCE**

*Dr. Smith informed the Board that he received a note from Sister Margot stating that she is doing well and sends her best to the Board members.*

**E. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*If you have not signed up for the Board Association Conference being held on February 23 & 24, and are still interested in attending, please let Lois or Sherry know.*

**F. PUBLIC COMMENTS – N/A**

**G. CONSUMER COMMENTS – N/A**

**II. Presentation of Annual Audit – Trina Edwards, CPA from Dennis, Gartland & Niergarth and Terry Yule, CPA from Straley, Ilsley & Lamp, P.C.**

*Trina Edwards presented the Communications letter to the Board members and expressed how helpful Mr. Gray was in providing them with good back-up information and an audit trail.*

*Terry Yule presented the financial and compliance information to the Board members stating the financial sections were complete and there were no compliance issues for either this year or last. He reported to the Board that AVCMH received an unqualified opinion.*

*Ms. Edwards and Mr. Yule answered questions from Board members.*

*Dr. Williams thanked the audit team for their report and also Mr. Gray and his staff for their competent work on the audit.*

*Moved by Mr. Stone, seconded by Ms. Casey, to accept the 2009 Annual Audit as presented. Roll call vote taken: all ayes, motion carried.*

**III. STATUS OF MEDICAID BUDGET AND AFFILIATION SERVICES**

*Dave Schneider, Director from the Northern Affiliation, discussed with the Board some*

*of the current challenges they will be facing for 2010 and 2011. These challenges will include current finances, application for renewal and recommitment, and MDCH policy initiatives.*

*Mr. Schneider explained that the Affiliation is actively researching how other states have dealt with these problems, and that we need to talk to commissioners, legislators and the general public as well. He stated that budget cuts will impact all of us.*

*Mr. Schneider explained that the Affiliation would be looking at Northern Boards and making transitions where they thought they may be needed, one possibility being electronic medical records. Mr. Schneider stated that people depend on us and we need to stay focused to allow us to do as much as we can for our consumers.*

*Dr. Williams thanked Mr. Schneider for the information he provided the Board and stated that we have faced challenges before and we will do it again.*

#### ***IV. REPORTS***

##### ***A. Chairperson***

*Dr. Williams suggested that members take time to speak with Glenn about any questions they may have regarding the audit. He stated that the Board needs to understand thoroughly how the agency operates.*

##### ***B. Board Association.***

*The Board Association Conference will be held on February 23 and 24<sup>th</sup> in Lansing. Several members of the Board and Dr. Smith are planning to attend.*

*Mr. Welsch summarized two meetings he attended, along with Dr. Smith, for the Board Association in Lansing. He stated through these meetings, the groups had identified five important issues to be reviewed by the Association and these issues would be looked at further at the February meeting. He also passed out a listing of legislative bills that the Board members should be aware of.*

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**C. Director**

*Dr. Smith's printed report of areas of interest to the Board was distributed and reviewed.*

*Dr. Smith thanked Dr. Williams for reviewing and doing the summary for the ten responses offered in regard to his evaluation. Dr. Smith thanked the members of the Board for taking the time to fill out the evaluation form and also for the very generous evaluations.*

*Dr. Smith also noted the article from the Iosco County News Herald in which a donation from the Knights of Columbus was received by our DD Program. This was a generous contribution and the Board appreciated their support.*

**D Committees**

1. **Personnel.** Committee met on January 4, 2010.

*Committee report was presented and reviewed by Mr. Cudney as Committee Chairperson.*

2. **Building.** Committee met on January 15, 2010.

*Committee report was presented and reviewed by Mr. Cudney as Committee representative.*

3. **Executive & Finance.** Committee met on January 19, 2010.

*Committee report was presented by Ms. Clark as Committee Chairperson.*

*Moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Ms. Hammond, to accept the December Financial Statements and Expenditures as presented. Roll call vote taken; all ayes, motion carried.*

*Moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Mr. Colclasure, to approve the contract with Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, for the year ending September 30, 2010 for*

*prevention services in the amount of \$ 106,836, with signature by the Director. Roll call vote taken; all ayes, motion carried.*

*Moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Ms. Walsh, to approve the contract with Alina Kaiserman, for interpreter services at the rate of \$ 25 per hour as presented, with signature by the Director. Roll call vote taken; all ayes, motion carried.*

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

*None*

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

*Dr. Smith presented the Board with an estimate from Ulman Plumbing for a new furnace for the back portion of the Tawas office. He stated that because of carbon monoxide fumes coming from the furnace, this became an emergency purchase and there was no time for the regular three-bids for a furnace replacement. After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Clark, seconded by Ms. Hammond, to approve the purchase of a new furnace for the Tawas office. Roll call vote taken; all ayes, motion carried.*

**VII. COMMENTS**

*A. BOARD. None.*

*B. STAFF. None.*

*C. PUBLIC. None.*

**VIII. MEETING DATES**

*A. BOARD. Next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, February 15, 2010, at 6:00 p.m., at the Board's West Branch Office.*

*B. COMMITTEES.*

*1. Personnel. – Monday, February 1, 2010, @ Tawas Office, @ 5:00 p.m.*

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2. *Program. – Thursday, January 28, 2010 @ Tawas Office @ 5:00 p.m.*
3. *Executive & Finance. Tuesday, February 9, 2010 @ West Branch Office, @ 5:00 p.m.*

*X. ADJOURN*

*Moved by Mr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Colclasure, that the meeting be adjourned.*  
*Motion carried.*

*Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,*



*Sherry Dickman*

*Recording Secretary*